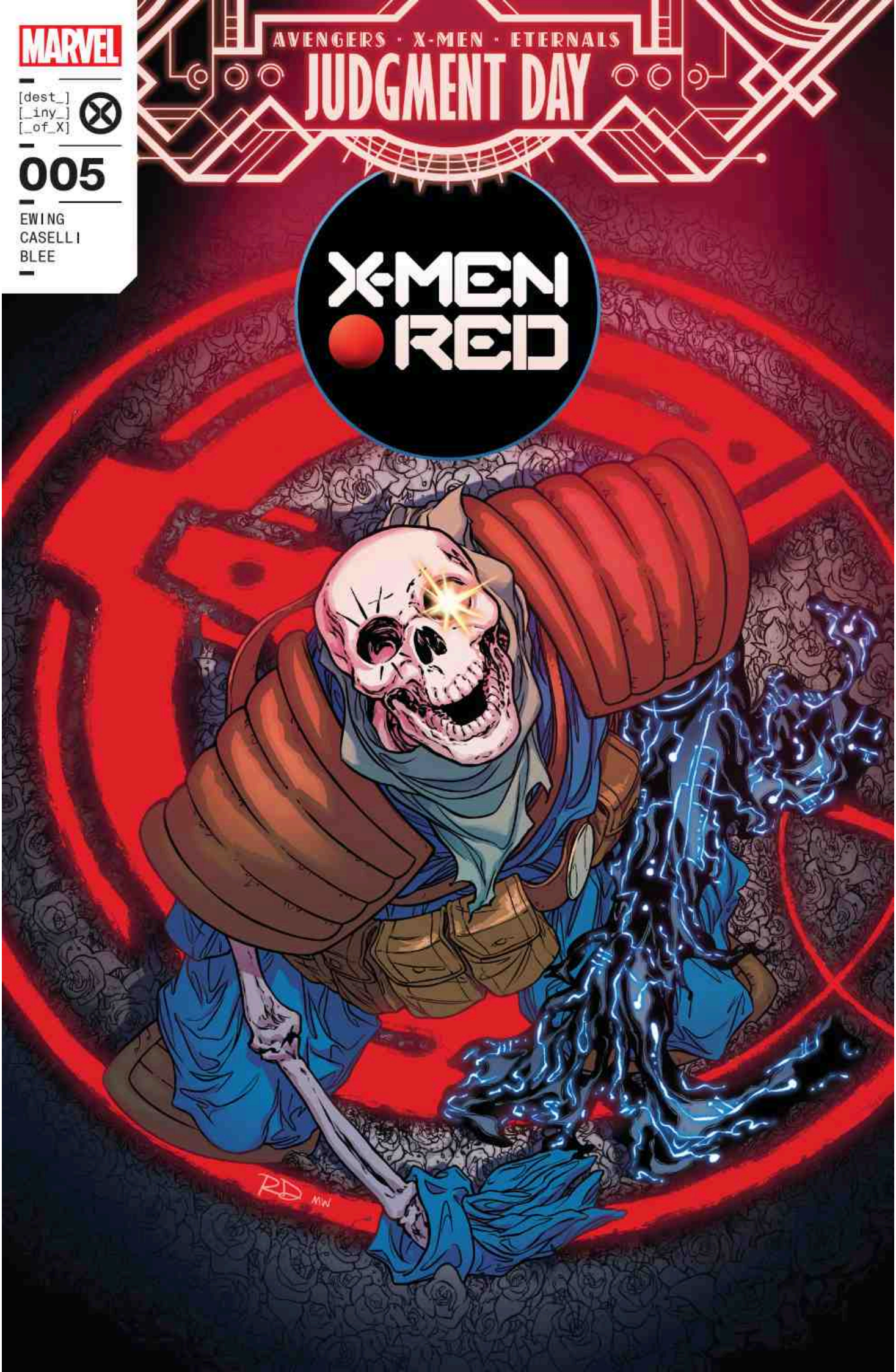
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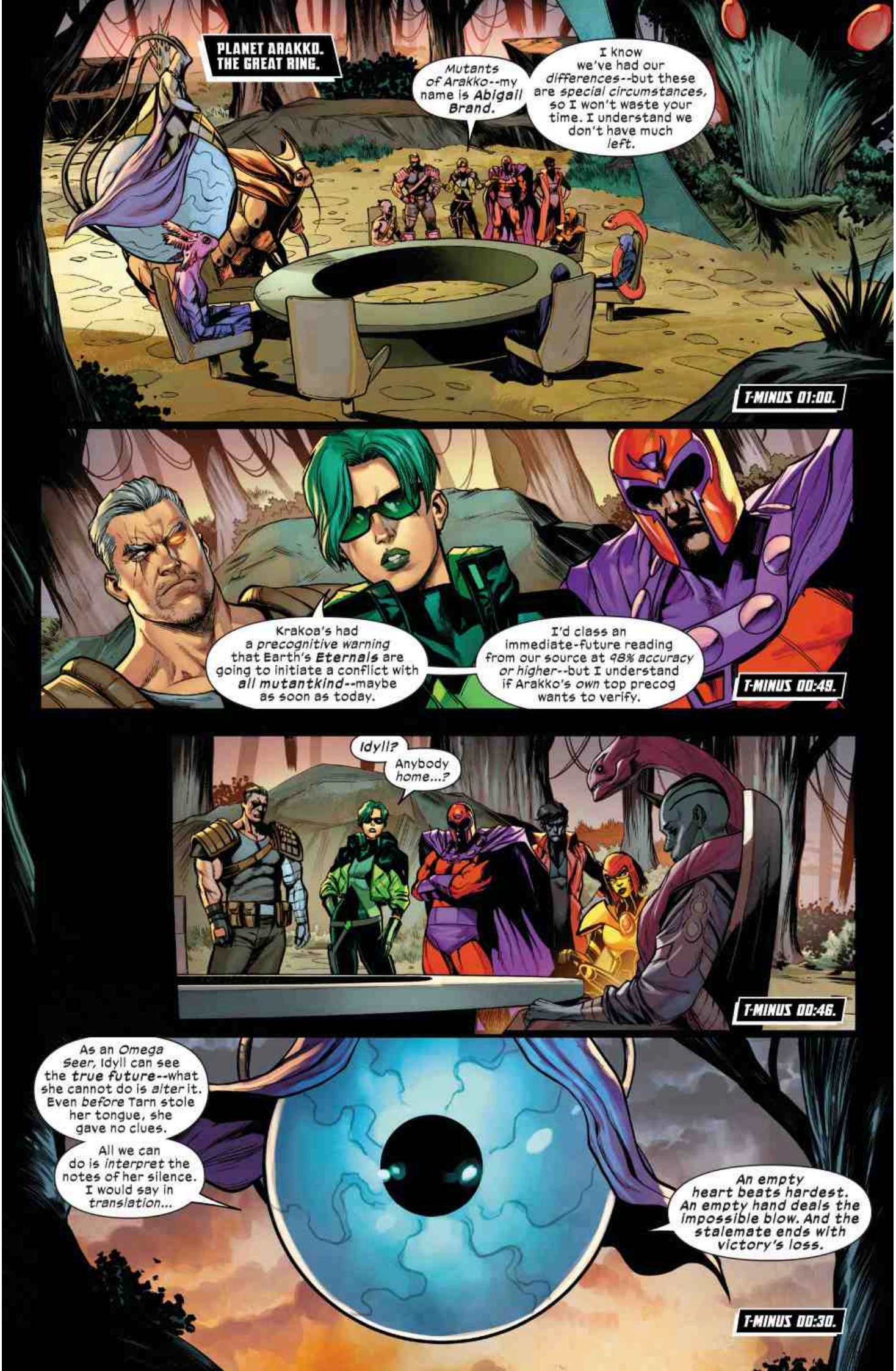
PLANET ARAKKO. THE GREAT RING.
Mutants of Arakko--my name is Abigail Brand.
I know we've had our differences--but these are special circumstances, so I won't waste your time. I understand we don't have much left.
T-MINUS 01:00.
Krakoa's had a precognitive warning that Earth's Eternals are going to initiate a conflict with all mutantkind--maybe as soon as today.
I'd class an immediate-future reading from our source at 98% accuracy or higher--but I understand if Arakko's own top precog wants to verify.
T-MINUS 00:49.
Idyll?
Anybody home...?
T-MINUS 00:46.
As an Omega Seer, Idyll can see the true future--what she cannot do is alter it. Even before Tarn stole her tongue, she gave no clues.
All we can do is interpret the notes of her silence. I would say in translation...
An empty heart beats hardest. An empty hand deals the impossible blow. And the stalemate ends with victory's loss.
T-MINUS 00:30.

It's Ororo who usually ends stalemates around here.
Where is she today?
T-MINUS 00:26.
She's giving the Quiet Council the Arakkii perspective, Isca. Nightcrawler, meanwhile, joins us with the Krakoan view.
Greetings, meine Mitmutanden.
T-MINUS 00:21.
So Princess Ororo reigns elsewhere today--all to the good. This is not the Table Day's business.
This is the Dawn's time. A war Council...
T-MINUS 00:14.
Then let's talk strategy. The Eternals won't want to risk Arakko coming to the rescue, so we can expect them here as soon as they attack Krakoa.
They'll exercise restraint on Earth--maybe even keep it to the psychic plane. But here on the red planet, we can expect overwhelming force.
T-MINUS 00:04.
And the only way to counter that is to be prepared beforehand.
Okay. This is--
T-MINUS 00:03.
T-MINUS 00:02.
T-MINUS 00:01.
What in the--?
T-MINUS 00:00.

Incoming!
Mein gott. Get out. Get to safety--
That's not our way, Kurt.
Isca--be ready! With your power, you'll need to act first against...
SKLITCH
...the enemy...
Yes.
That's just what I am doing.

Idyll...
Isca's mutant weapon is *not to lose!*
If she has *switched sides*, that means--
--that *someone* must take her *off the board.*
Kurt, *don't--*
BAM!
Here it comes! Brace for--
KROOOM
Mutants of Mars. I am Uranos.
You have *deviated. Excessively.*

And I have *one hour* to **correct** you.
T-PLUS 00:29 AND COUNTING.

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THE ETERNALS

The Eternals were created by the alien space gods known as the Celestials to protect the Earth. One of the Eternals' chief directives is to correct excess deviation. Druig, the current Prime Eternal, recently determined that Earth's mutants, with their ability to resurrect themselves, represent excess deviation.

Therefore, mutant existence cannot be allowed to continue.

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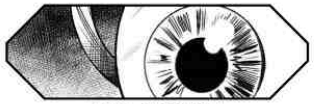
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THE ARMORIES OF URANOS

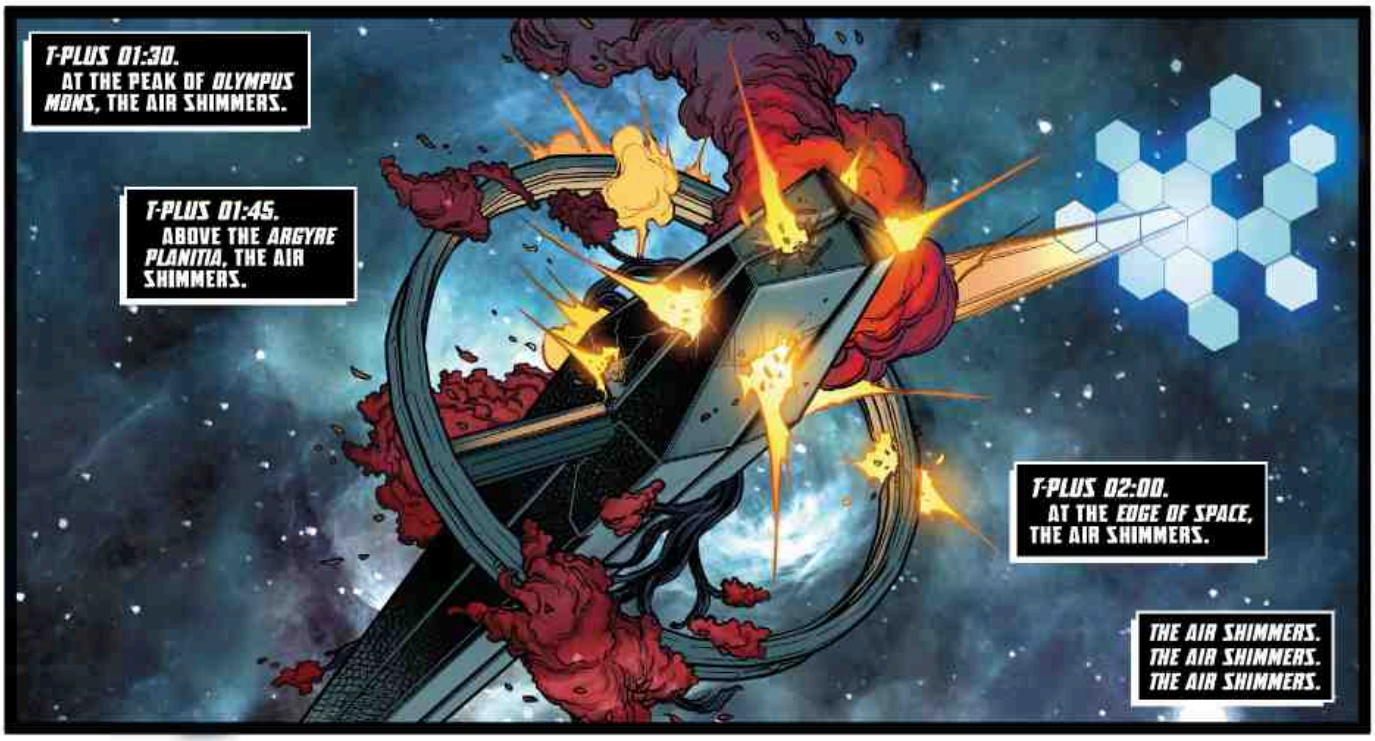
FORCES COMMITTED: 00.003%
FORCES REMAINING: 99.997%
DEVIANTS CORRECTED: 11,553
TIME REMAINING: 59m30s

ARE THE CELESTIALS PROTECTED? YES.
IS THE MACHINE PROTECTED? YES.
IS THE DEVIATION BEING CORRECTED? YES.
VERY GOOD. CONTINUE.

T-PLUS 00:30.
THE ARMORIES OF URANOS WERE ACTIVATED THE SECOND HE LEFT THE EXCLUSION. NOW THEY OPEN LIKE FLOWERS.
IN THE SKY ABOVE PORT PROMETHEUS, THE AIR SHIMMERS.
A NIGHTMARE MACHINE BLOTS THE SUN AND DISGORGES HORROR.
T-PLUS 00:45.
IN THE ART COMMUNITY OF THE MORROWLANDS, THE AIR SHIMMERS. BIO-METALLIC SLIME EMERGES TO INFECT AND CONSUME.

T-PLUS 01:00.
NIGHTCRAWLER AND ISCA MATERIALIZE OVER THE OCEAN WEST OF ARAKKO PRIME, WHERE ISCA DISLOCATES NIGHTCRAWLER'S ARM.
IN THE DISTANCE, THE AIR SHIMMERS.

T-PLUS 01:15.
IN THE VALLEY OF THE FALLEN, THE AIR SHIMMERS.
A THING OF LIGHT AND MONSTROUS ANGLES STEPS FORTH TO BURN THE EYES FROM THE PILGRIMS.


T-PLUS 01:30.
AT THE PEAK OF OLYMPUS MONS, THE AIR SHIMMERS.
T-PLUS 01:45.
ABOVE THE ARGYRE PLANITIA, THE AIR SHIMMERS.
T-PLUS 02:00.
AT THE EDGE OF SPACE, THE AIR SHIMMERS.
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T-PLUS 06:00.
ORA SERRATA IS DOUBLING DOWN.
Cease to be! You will cease to be!
The eye of the law is upon you, and you will--
NO.
There is no law but the principles coded into me, and no vision of that law but my own.
All non-Eternal life must end.
That is the law as I see it.
NOW you see it too.
EEEEIIGH!
SQUELCH
Ah.
Now you, on the other hand...

...you look interesting.
T-PLUS 06:21. DAVID HALLER IS HERE.
HE IS THE SON OF CHARLES XAVIER--TRUE MUTANT ROYALTY. HE MAY BE THE MOST POWERFUL BEING TO EXIST.
Outside.
Hm. Yes. Of course.
HE MAY BE.
Wouldn't want to break the furniture.
T-PLUS 06:28. THERE IS A MOMENTARY LULL IN HOSTILITIES.
I've lost contact with Station Two. I've got to assume the Keep is down--maybe destroyed.
But they confirmed multiple assaults, all across Mars--
No need for your machine-eyes. Lactuca sees--sees all.

Enemy has arsenals. Machines of death, many-many. All across-world-- and will fight without him...
A challenge to all. And the seats of day have responsibilities to the world, the sea and the sky...
What's happening up there...?
The worst, I fear.
Sobunar, Lactuca--defend the broken land. We'll keep him busy here--
--if we can.
You bore a brave boy, Charles.
T-PLUS 06:56. DAVID HALLER IS GONE.
So much for that.
Where were we?
HOSTILITIES RESUME.
Lodus Logos!
I hear you, Magneto. And I believe I know your intent...
Yes.
Give me metal.
T-PLUS 07:04. MUTANT CIRCUITS ARE RARE ON ARAKKO.
OMEGA MUTANT CIRCUITS, EVEN MORE SO.

T-PLUS 08:49.
IN THE SETTLEMENT AT ARGYRE PLANITIA, THE *BROTHERHOOD OF ARAKKO* JOIN THE FIGHT AGAINST A SELF-REPLICATING MACHINE ARMY.
TOGETHER, THEY HOLD THE LINE.

T-PLUS 10:15.
ABOVE PORT PROMETHEUS, *THE MAN CALLED NOVA* FIGHTS TO PROTECT CIVILIANS FROM A DOZEN WORLDS AS THEY EVACUATE.
IT'S ALL UP TO ME, HE THINKS. HE THINKS THAT TOO OFTEN.
ALONE, HE HOLDS THE LINE.

T-PLUS 12:29.
AFTER HER VICTORY OVER NIGHTCRAWLER, *ISCA THE UNBEATEN* FELL INTO SOBUNAR'S OCEAN.
NOW HE *BESIEGES* HER THERE. HIS CREATURES ARE MANY, AND THEY FIGHT TO THE LAST.
THEY *TRY* TO HOLD THE LINE...

...BUT AGAINST SOME, THE LINE SIMPLY CANNOT BE HELD.
T -PLUS 13:01.
Hm. Between the magnetism and the telekinesis...you're actually fighting me.
Impressive.
You...are everything...
...I have ever fought against!
Ah. Then it's personal in some way.
My condolences.

To lose that fight...
Hnnhh--!
...must be heartrending.
T-PLUS 13:23.
MAGNETO FALLS.

Erik--
We'll mourn him tomorrow! If there is a tomorrow!
Belle-- bodyslide by zero! Weapon cache Omega-one!
THE OMEGA-ONE PULSE RIFLE IS THE MOST POWERFUL GUN IN CABLE'S ARSENAL.
IT FIRES BULLETS OF ULTRA-DENSE SOLID LIGHT ALONG A TUNNEL OF HARD RADIATION THAT CAN MELT OSMIUM.
IN THE YEAR 3877, IT WILL BE CLASSED AS A WEAPON OF ABSOLUTE DESTRUCTION AND BANNED FROM USE IN WARFARE.
BRAVOOMM
IT WEAKENS URANOS.
... Is that all?
THAT IS ALL.
T-PLUS 13:40.

T-PLUS 17:11.
AFTER THREE AND A HALF MINUTES OF CONSTANT FIRE, THE OMEGA-ONE OVERHEATS AND JAMS.
URANOS' WEAPON DOES NOT.
T-PLUS 17:20.
A BREACH WAS OPENED TO A DIMENSION OF *PURE DESTRUCTIVE FORCE*. LACTUCA SEALS IT AGAIN.
IT COMES TOO LATE FOR ALL HANDS ON THE KEEP.
T-PLUS 17:25.
IN THE *MORRONLANDS*, THE ARTISTS BATTLE THE METALLIC MASS, CAREFUL NOT TO LET IT TOUCH THEM.
T-PLUS 17:30.
XILO UNLEASHES THE INSECTS AND INVERTEBRATES THAT FORM HIM. THEY CAN SCOUR A HUMAN BODY TO THE BONE IN SECONDS.
THEY *DISGUST* URANOS.
T-PLUS 18:00.
IN *PORT PROMETHEUS*, EVACUATION HAS BEEN PARTIALLY SUCCESSFUL– BUT *ALL KRAKOAN GATES HAVE BEEN DESTROYED.*
SEVEN KYMELLIAN PRIESTS DIE BY FIRE BEFORE NOVA CAN SAVE THEM.

T-PLUS 18:30.
IN THE MARKETS BELOW, THE ARAKKII REGULARS FIGHT ALONGSIDE THE ALIEN VENDORS TO SAVE WHAT THEY CAN.
T PLUS 19:00.
URANOS METHODICALLY REDUCES THE COLLECTIVE THAT IS XILO TO 13.5% OF ITS TOTAL MASS.
MILLENNIA OF EYE-WITNESSED HISTORY--LOST FOREVER.
T-PLUS 19:15.
ABIGAIL BRAND TRIES TO AVOID THE RESURRECTION PROTOCOLS.
SHE FAILS.
T-PLUS 19:30.
ON THE DARK SIDE OF THE PLANET, THE FISHER KING FEELS THE WIND CHANGE. IT IS TIME.
NIGHT HAS FALLEN.
T-PLUS 19:45.
ON ARGYRE PLANITIA, THE ARAKKII ARE FORCED INTO A STRATEGIC RETREAT.
YIELDING THE FIELD IS NOT YIELDING THE FIGHT, THEY REMIND THEMSELVES. YET THE TASTE IS BITTER.
T-PLUS 20:00.
IN THE GREAT RING, THERE IS SILENCE.
URANOS STILL HAS FORTY MINUTES LEFT.

HE USES THE TIME WELL.
T-PLUS 60:00.
THE HOUR IS OVER.
SO IS 98% OF ALL LIFE IN A FIFTY-MILE RADIUS.
URANOS LEAVES SATISFIED. HE IS SUPREMELY CONFIDENT IN HIS ABILITY TO BRING DEATH.
IN ALL THE AGES, HE HAS NEVER FELT THE NEED TO CHECK HIS WORK.
IN THIS, HE IS FOOLISH.
HE HAS SPENT THE LAST HOUR ON PLANET ARAKKO.
Loduszz!
AND ON ARAKKO, YOU MAKE SURE.
Loduszz, wake up!
→kaff!←
Forgive me. You were unconczziouszz--I hid you. I had no szztrength for anything elszze.
Pleazze believe I meant no inszzult...

He challenged all of us. We cannot yield nor die too quickly.
This way I fight again and taste revenge for the bones laid here.
No, I take no insult for wise tactics. How long was I out?
Don't know. Memory szztoreszz... inszzinerated.
Otherszz... may be alive...
Ora was maimed only. Gouged in the eye, but body untouched...
She has survived much worse. But her weapon will require healing.
And Uranos' weapons still roam unchecked. We must strategize...
No.
With respect, Lodus... such strategies are not a matter for the Table Dusk.
This is war. A war we are losing.

And so the seat of loss takes command.
YOU ALWAYS MAKE SURE.
THE HOUR OF MAGNETO BEGINS.

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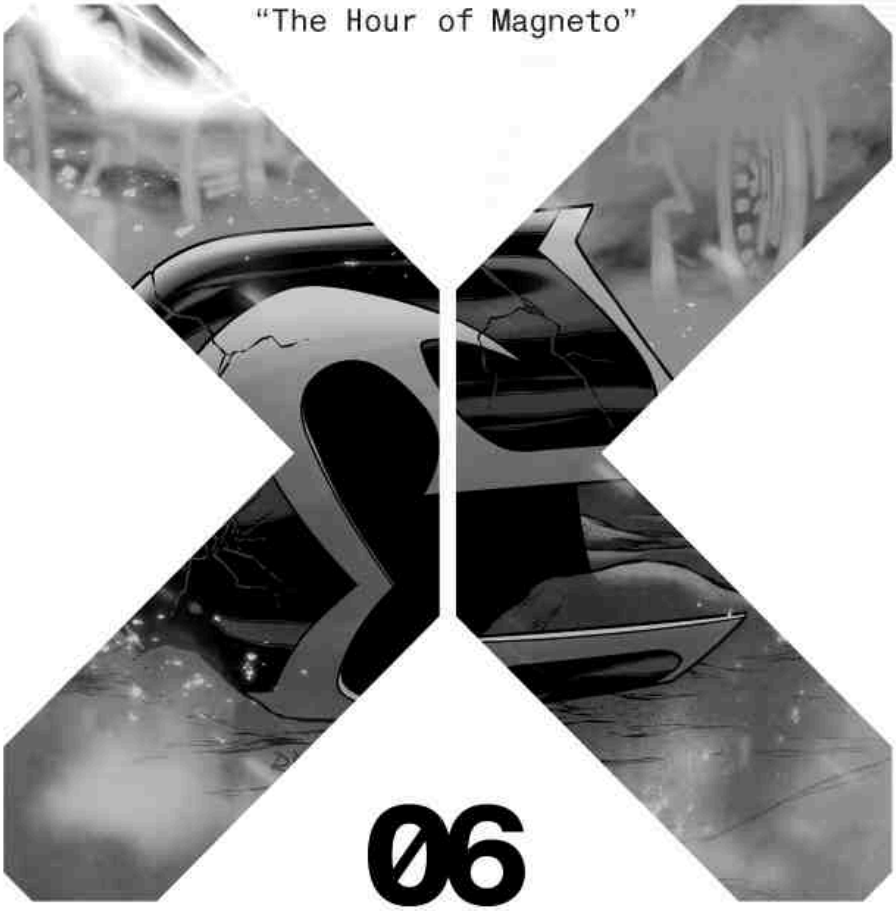

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